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SUBJECT: JULY 2 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. INDOCHINA

LAO CABINET MET DISCUSS TAKEOVER 5 US INSTALLATIONS
BY DEMONSTRATORS. CHARGE CHAPMAN MET WITH PL ECON
MINISTER BUT NO DECISION REACHED ON CURRENT IMPASSE
US-LAO RELATIONS. US REPORTEDLY NOT PREPARED NEGOTIATE
FURTHER AID AS LONG AS INSTALLATIONS, PROPERTY HELD
BY DEMONSTRATORS (AP, SUN). MEETING WITH ECON MINISTER
APPARENTLY FAILED SETTLE "STATUS" OF THE REMAINING 22
AMERICANS IN LAOS. CHARGE WANTS DETERMINE IF US
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EMBASSY "CAN REAMIN IN LAOS" DESPITE ANTI-US MOVES.
PHOUMI VONGVICHIT SAID "TOO TIRED" TO DISCUSS ISSUE
(UPI, NYDN).

CONTINUED US AID TO LAOS NOT RULED OUT, BUT "LOW ON THE LIST OF WASHINGTON'S PRIORITIES." EMBASSY SAID DID NOT KNOW WHEREABOUTS, CONDITION AMCIT ROSEMARY CONWAY, BEING HELD ON UNSPECIFIED POLITICAL CHARGES SINCE JUNE 4 (AP, SUN).

SIHANOUK REMAINS NK ACCORDING PYONGYANG BROADCAST

(AP, CHITRIB). FORMER GKR AMB TO INDONESIA LEAVES JAKARTA FOR UNANNOUNCED DESTINATION; EMBASSY PROPERTY ENTRUSTED ALGERIAN EMBASSY (AFP, WP).

FRENCH DIPLOMAT ARRIVED VIENTIANE, REPORTED SHOOTING HEARD NIGHTLY SAIGON. LIBERATION RADIO SAYS CLASHES OCCUR IN PROVS NEAR CAPITAL, EFFORTS CONTINUE HUNT DOWN HOLDOUT TROOPS, AND DRIVE RENEWED ROOT OUT "IMMORAL" BOOKS, MAGAZINES. TWO FORMER GVN DIPLOMATS WHO SERVED IN MALAYSIA FLEW FROM VIENTIANE TO SAIGON; THESE WERE FIRST RETURNEES UNDER UN-RUN REPATRIATION PROGRAM (AP WP, SUN).

SVN GOVT GUARANTEES BANK DEPOSITORS WILL RECEIVE THEIR MONEY LITTLE-BY-LITTLE; FARMERS, FISHERMEN WILL HAVE FIRST PRIORITY ON LOANS (UPI, NYDN).

2. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

WP'S JOHNSON WRITES HUMAN-INTEREST STORY OF VIET FAMILY IN N VA THAT IS STARTING INDEPENDENT LIFE AFTER LIVING WITH SPONSORS FOR 5 WKS. SEABERRY (WP) TELLS OF ADJUSTMENT OF REFUGEE CHILDREN TO LIFE IN VA.

3. CHINA

PEKING DENIES SUPPORTING THAILAND'S PRO-COMMUNIST INSURGENTS, TELLS PM KUKRIT PRC "HAD NEVER GIVEN ANY SUPPORT INSIDE" THAILAND, ALSO DENYING EXISTENCE RADIO STATION UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPPORTING INSURGENTS (NYT). MAO REPORTEDLY GAVE KUKRIT ADVICE ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THAI COMMUNIST PARTY; KUKRIT REFUSED COMMENT BUT CALLED ADVICE "VERY USEFUL" (WP).

4. JAPAN

COMMERCE DEPT STUDY SHOWS JAPANESE TOURISTS SPEND MOST IN US, AVERAGE 569 DOLS EACH DURING VISIT. TYPICAL JAPANESE TOURIST YOUNG, WELLEDUCATED, SKILLED WORKER OR PROFESSIONAL, FIRST-TIME TRAVELER ABROAD (CSM).

5. KOREA

US MILITARY AUTHORITIES SEND PROTEST NOTE TO NK, DEMAND PUNISHMENT OF NKOREANS WHO SERIOUSLY INJURED USA MAJOR AT PANMUNJOM TRUCE CENTER (WP). NOTE SIGNED BY UNC DELEGATE TO MAC GEN WEBB STATED "UNPROVOKED BRUTAL ATTACK" VIOLATED TRUCE AGREEMENT,

DANGEROUSLY INCREASED POTENTIAL FOR FURTHER SERIOUS INCIDENTS (REUTER).

DEP PM NAM DUCK WOO CONCLUDED TWO DAYS TALKS WITH GOF MINISTERS IN PARIS WEDNESDAY. KOREAN SOURCES IN PARIS SAY FRANCE MAY HELP ROK BUILD TWO NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS (AFP, WP).

6. THAILAND

RIGHTISTS THROW STONES, BREAK UP PLANNED ANTI-US RALLY IN SUBURBAN BANGKOK AFTER SIMILAR INCIDENT AT UBON WK AGO. NATL STUDENT CENTR ORGANIZED SERIES ANTI-US RALLIES TO DEMAND FASTER WITHDRAWAL (UPI, WP).

7. INDONESIA

SUHARTO ENDS 2-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT YUGOSLAVIA, FIRST TO COMMUNIST COUNTRY SINCE ABORTIVE COUP 10 YEARS AGO, DEPARTS FOR CANADA (REUTER, WP; CSM).
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8. PHILIPPINES

FORMER PHILS PRESS CENSOR SAID MARCOS AIDE OFFERED HIM 50,000 DOLS NOT TO TESTIFY ABOUT CORRUPTION IN GOP. FBI INVESTIGATING, ACCORDING REP FRASER WHOSE SUBCOMM HEARD TESTIMONY (AP, SUN).

ANDERSON/WHITTEN (WP) CITE 24-PAGE MEMO SUBMITTED TO HOUSE INTL ORG COMM BY FORMER CONFIDANT PRIMITIVO MIJARES WHO CHARGES MARCOS USED "GOONS, GUNS, GOLD" TO WIN REELECTION IN 1969. MEMO CLAIMS MARCOS USED MILITARY TO COMMIT VIOLENT ACTS WHICH HE BLAMED ON MAOIST GROUPS, CONTINUED TO DO SO LATER TO PREPARE NATION FOR DECLARATION OF MARTIAL LAW 1972 (USIA WIRELESS FILE).

9. AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

PM WHITLAM FIRES DEPUTY PM CAIRNS OVER ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING ILLEGAL MULTIMILLION-DOLLAR FOREIGN LOAN ACTIVITIES, AFTER CAIRNS FAILED PROVIDE "SATISFACTORY EXPLANATIONS" OF ACTIONS. PARLIAMENT FEARS DISMISSAL

MAY THROW GOA INTO MAJOR POLITICAL CRISIS (SWEENEY, WP; WSJ).

WP'S CROCK REPORTS AUSTRALIA, NZ AMONG MOST POPULAR COUNTRIES FOR US EMIGRATION. NUMBER AMERICANS EMIGRATING TO NZ DOUBLED SINCE 1969, PROMPTING MORE STRINGENT

IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS, WHILE IN AUSTRALIA, NUMBER DROPPED FROM 1971 HIGH POINT.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

10. INDOCHINA

WHITNEY (NYT), IN LENGTHY ARTICLE ON W GER ASSERTION OF INDEPENDENCE FROM US, OPINES US WITHDRAWAL FROM INDOCHINA SHOOK, WORRIED FRG THAT WE MIGHT CONSIDER PULLING OUT SOME TROOPS. MENTIONS BRANDT'S RECENT UNCLASSIFIED

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STATEMENT THAT SOC DEMS CONFIDENT ALLIANCE NOT AFFECTED BY US DISENTANGLEMENT FROM SEA. THINKS ANTI-US FEELING MAY LOSE STRENGTH NOW THAT VN WAR OVER.

ZORZA (WP, CSM) REPORTS HANOI RADIO STARTS LANGUAGE CLASSES IN RUSSIAN, CHINESE, ENGLISH, NOTES DECISION COINCIDES WITH SIGNALS THAT DRV WANTS BE FRIENDS WITH US. POINTS OUT APPROACH REBUFFED BY DOS, BUT SECSTATE SAID US RESPONSE WOULD DEPEND ON NVN CONDUCT TOWARD NEIGHBORS, US. BELIEVES HANOI MIGHT WELCOME US ROLE IN SEA TO BALANCE POWER USSR, CHINA. QUOTES HAK ANALYSIS OF GEOPOLITICAL, ECON IMPORTANCE OF ASIA. WONDERS IF OUR ACCESS TO ASIA CAN BE MAINTAINED IN FACE HOSTILE VN; SAYS HANOI PRESS REMINDS US OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE INDOCHINA. OPINES HANOI DOVES MAY FAVOR NEW RELATIONSHIP WITH US BASED ON RECONSTRUCTION AID. SEES MOSCOW WANTING PUSH US OUT OF ASIA, WHILE PEKING PREFERS US PRESENCE TO DELAY USSR ARRIVAL UNTIL STRENGTH BUILT UP; MEANWHILE HANOI TELLS CITIZENS LEARN RUSSIAN, CHINESE, ENGLISH (IN USIA WIRELESS FILE).

11. CHINA

HARSCH (CSM) STATES MOSCOW'S BACKING FOR GANDHI WORRIES PRC, SPARKING FURTHER CONCERN OVER SOVIET EXPANSIONISM IN ASIA. CHINESE SEE SOVIET INFLUENCE, BASED FIRMLY ON INDIA, "COULD ALL TOO EASILY SWEEP EASTWARD AROUND" SOUTHERN RIM OF ASIA, PERHAPS CAUSING PEKING SEEK FRIENDLIER RELATIONS WITH BOTH JAPAN, US (IN USIA WIRELESS FILE).

CSM CARRIES TIMES OF INDIA EDIT WHICH CALLS US-TAIWAN RELATIONSHIP "FIRST CASUALTY" SHOULD DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

FORM BETWEEN US-PRC. BELIEVES PEKING'S INVITATION TO TAIWANESE SPORTSMEN, PLUS GRANTING AMNESTY TO OVER 200 KMT ARMY OFFICERS MARKS PRC'S "PEACE OFFENSIVE" AGAINST TAIPEI REGIME. FINAL QUESTION IS WHAT CCK WILL DO WHEN PEKING'S PRESSURE REDUCES MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY WITH TAIWAN TO "SCRAP OF PAPER" .

SUN'S WU, IN SHANGHAI, LEARNS HOW OFFICIAL PRC NEWSPAPERS PRODUCED. NOTES PAPER HAS NO PUBLISHER, NO EDITOR-IN-UNCLASSIFIED

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CHIEF, NO MANAGING EDITORS--RUN BY COMMUNIST PARTY COMMITTEE ON "COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP" PRINCIPLE. WU TOLD PAPERS EVEN DEVELOPED ALONG LINE OF "BOURGEOIS PRESS," WRITING "WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT TO READ" RATHER THAN "WHERE THE HUMAN INTEREST LAY."

LAT (7/2) NOTES RECENT "PEKING MAN" HUNT MAY HAVE POLITICAL RAMIFICATIONS, AS BOTH PRC AND NATLIST CHINA CLAIM FOSSILS. CHRISTOPHER JANUS, NOW HEADING SEARCH, MET WITH PRES 5/24 AND SAYS FORD WOULD LIKE TAKE FOSSILS, IF FOUND, TO PEKING WITH HIM ON FALL VISIT.

12. JAPAN

CSM'S SOUTHERLAND REVIEWS "JAPAN, FRAGILE SUPERPOWER" BY GIBNEY. SAYS BOOK GIVES NONSPECIALIST SOLID OVERVIEW OF JAPANESE DECISIONMAKING, LONG-TERM PLANNING, SOCIAL INCENTIVES, AND "SHOULD BE REQUIRED READING" FOR US BUSINESSMEN DEALING WITH JAPAN.

LAT'S LINDA GROSS FINDS THREE-HOUR MOVIE "MEN AND WAR" MASTERFUL EXAMINATION OF JAPANESE WAR GUILT. FILM IS FINAL PART OF TRILOGY ABOUT EFFECTS OF JAPANESE MILITARISM ON LIVES OF POWERFUL JAPANESE FINANCIAL FAMILY IN TWENTIES, THIRTIES; ENDS WITH FLAMES OF FUNERAL PYRES FOR JAPANESE SOLDIERS DEFEATED BY SOVIET ARMY IN MONGOLIA IN 1939. BATTLE SCENES FILMED THROUGH MOSFILM.

13. KOREA

FROM SEOUL CSM'S SOUTHERLAND DESCRIBES HOW PRESIDENT PARK CAPITALIZES ON POST-VN FEAR OF NK ATTACK TO JUSTIFY TIGHTER CONTROLS OVER DOMESTIC OPPONENTS. NOTES OVERWHELMING CONCERN FOR NATL SECURITY PROMPTS MANY FORMER CRITICS TO ACCEPT LIMITS ON INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM. BUT QUOTES ONE CHURCH LEADER WHO FEARS ROKG MAY ALIENATE PEOPLE, MAKE THEM "VULNERABLE TO A KIND OF PSYCHOLOGICAL INFILTRATION" (USIA WIRELESS FILE).

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IN LETTER TO GLOBE DAVID MCCANN DEPLORES EVANS/NOVAK
"GLIB OBSERVATION" THAT ONLY TWO PERSONS ARRESTED IN ROK
AS RESULT OF MAY 13 DECREES, WHICH IGNORES CASE OF POET
KIM CHI-HA. ASSERTS ISSUANCE OF 70-PAGE ENGLISH-LANGUAGE
PAMPHLET "THE CASE AGAINST KIM CHI-HA: THE TRUE IDENTITY

OF THE POET" SHOWS ROKG PREPARING EXECUTE HIM AS COMMUNIST.
BELIEVES KIM STILL ALIVE BECAUSE US CONGRESSMEN, CLERGY,
LIBERALS AND WRITERS, SCHOLARS AROUND WORLD EXPRESSED
CONCERN OVER HIS PLIGHT, AND DECLARES THIS NOT TIME FOR
SILENCE.

14. GENERAL

KRAFT (SUN, WP) STATES SOLZHENITSYN SPEECH AT AFL-CIO
SHOWS HOW LITTLE HE KNOWS ABOUT RELATIONS BETWEEN
STATES. BASED ON INTENSE PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF
INTERMENT IN GULAG, AUTHOR FINDS COMMUNISM EVIL
INCARNATE, DEPLORES ALL POLITICAL CONTACT WITH
COMMUNIST WORLD, INCLUDING 1933 US RECOGNITION
OF USSR, WARTIME ALLIANCE AGAINST GERMANY, AND VN
TRUCE. BUT ACCEPTANCE OF THIS VIEW, KRAFT FEELS,
WOULD REQUIRE US TO ABANDON MOST EFFECTIVE WEAPON --
PLAYING COMMUNIST CHINA OFF AGAINST COMMUNIST RUSSIA.
FINDS "WORSHIP" OF SOLZHENITSYN PRESENCE SLIGHTLY
OMINOUS EXPRESSION OF NOSTALGIA FOR COLD WAR
CERTITUDES. INGERSOLL

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